2006 Calendar of Events

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Wings & Things Guest Lecture Series

This lecture series features an array of interesting speakers who impart a diversity of perspectives on USAF heritage. All lectures begin at 7:30 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and admission is free (except Doolittle Raiders).

January 25 • Lt. Col. Dale Zelko • "The Unthinkable, The Unimaginable Happened: An F-117 Stealth Fighter was Shot Down"

February 23 • Dr. Eugene Bleil • "Bataan, the Death March and Captivity"

March 21 • Col. (Ret.) Wolfgang Samuel • "American Raiders: The Race to Capture the Luftwaffe Secrets"

April 19 • Time and Cost TBD • Doolittle Raiders • "Lecture and Dinner with the Doolittle Raiders"

April 26 • Lt. Col. (Ret.) James Harvey III, Lt. Col. (Ret.) Harry Stewart • "Integration of the Air Force: The Early Years"

May 23 • Col. Regina Aune, Col. (Ret.) Bud Traynor, CMSgt. (Ret.) Ray Snedegar • "Reflections on Operation Babylift"

September 21 • Col. (Ret.) James Kasler • "Cold War Warrior"

October • To be announced

November 14 • Col. (Ret.) Darrel Whitcomb • "Call Sign Raven: Fighting the Air War in Laos"

U.S. Air Force Band of Flight Concerts

Founded in 1942, the U.S. Air Force Band of Flight travels nearly 100,000 miles each year to present more than 450 performances before military and civilian audiences. Concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. (except Glenn Miller Tribute).

February 11 • Hearts, Heritage and Heroes Concert

March 11 • Concert with the Band of Flight

April 8 • Concert with the Band of Flight

May 20 • 6 p.m. • Glenn Miller Tribute

September 23 • Concert with the Band of Flight

November 11 • Veterans' Day Concert

December 16 • Holiday Concert (tickets required)

Museum Tours

USAF Heritage Tour • Daily at 1:30 p.m. Additional tour scheduled at 10:30 a.m. on Saturdays.

Behind the Scenes Tour • Every second and third Friday of the month throughout the year (first and third Friday in November). Every Friday during June, July and August. Tours begin at 12:15 p.m. and feature the museum's restoration area. Advanced registration required.

Education Programs

Family Day • Every third Saturday of the month (December Family Day is December 9). Variety of programs offered for children ages 3-13.

Student Aviation Art Competition and Exhibition • April 1 - May 7 • The 23rd Annual Student Aviation Art Competition and Exhibition features the best young artists from schools throughout the Miami Valley.

Home School Day • April 3, September 25 • Tours, hands-on workshops and activities designed for home school students. Advanced registration required.

Special Events

Doolittle Raiders Reunion • April 17-21 • The Doolittle Raiders will have their 64th reunion at the museum. Public events include dinner, ceremonies and autograph sessions. Please visit the Special Events section of the museum web site for event updates.

C-141 "Hanoi Taxi" Final Flight • May 6 • The aircraft that repatriated more than 500 American prisoners of war held in North Vietnam will arrive at the museum in May. Continue to check the museum web site for event updates.

Freedom's Call Military Tattoo • June 30 • Join Wright-Patterson Air Force Base for a celebration of freedom that includes music, aircraft flyovers and fireworks. Event takes place on the museum's rear field.

Giant Scale Radio-Controlled Model Aircraft Air Show • **September 1-3** • Dayton Ohio Giant Scalers sponsor a three-day air show of giant scale radio-controlled aircraft on the runway behind the museum. The show features jets, helicopters, warbirds and other models.

Liaison Aircraft Fly-In • October 7 • Liaison aircraft are expected to participate in activities such as fly-bys and static displays.

Event schedule subject to change Revised 1/06